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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Peter Streuer

Title:

RECHARGEABLE

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Appl. No.:

10/706,726

Appl. Filing Date:

11/12/2003

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Ben Lewis

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

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1. <u>Suc</u>	MINSSIO	required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. (check items that apply)
V	a. Pre	viously submitted:
	[X]	Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on May 17, 2006.
	[]	Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not considered.
•	[]	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed or
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	[]	Other
	b. End	closed are:
	[]	Amendment/Reply.
	[]	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
	[]	Information Disclosure Statement.
	[]	Form PTO-1449 with copies of listed reference(s).
	[]	Other .
Miscel	laneous	s:
	[]	Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For	Extr Pres	a Claims ent		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):		,					\$790.00	=	\$790.00
Total Claims:	1.0	-	20	= 0		x	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	4	-	4	= 0	-	· X	\$200.00	_	\$0.00
First p	resentation o	of an	y Multiple I	Dependen	t Claims:	+	\$360.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS	FEI	E TOTAL:	=	\$790.00

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[X] Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	1 \$120.00				
[] Extension for response filed within the second month:	Extension for response filed within the second month: \$450.00					
[] Extension for response filed within the third month:	Extension for response filed within the third month: \$1,020.00					
[] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,590.00	\$0.00				
[] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,160.00	\$0.00				
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CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:						
[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½	of above):	\$0.00				
[] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R.	\$0.00					
TO	\$910.00					

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$910.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the

credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date 7/14/0

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